

Bill No. 32-04
Concerning: Fire and Rescue Service--
Emergency Medical Services
Transport Fee
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COUNTY COUNCIL FOR MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MARYLAND

By: Council President at the request of the County Executive

AN ACT to:

- (1) authorize the Montgomery County Fire and Rescue Service, exclusively, to impose and collect a fee to recover costs generated by providing emergency medical service transports;
- (2) provide for the issuance of Executive Regulations under Method (3) to establish the schedule of fees, the types of emergency medical service transports subject to the fee, fee waiver criteria, permitted uses of fee revenues, and other procedures to operate the emergency medical services fee program;
- (3) prohibit local fire and rescue departments from imposing a fee for emergency medical service transports; and
- (4) generally amend the Fire and Rescue Service law governing the provision of emergency medical services.

By Adding

Montgomery County Code
Chapter 21, Fire and Rescue Service
Section 21-23A

Boldface	<i>Heading or defined term.</i>
<u>Underlining</u>	<i>Added to existing law by original bill.</i>
<u>[Single boldface brackets]</u>	<i>Deleted from existing law by original bill.</i>
<u>Double underlining</u>	<i>Added by amendment.</i>
<u>[[Double boldface brackets]]</u>	<i>Deleted from existing law or the bill by amendment.</i>
* * *	<i>Existing law unaffected by bill.</i>

The County Council for Montgomery County, Maryland approves the following Act:

Sec. 1. Section 21-23A is added as follows:

21-23A. Emergency Medical Services - Fee

- (1) The Montgomery County Fire and Rescue Service may impose and collect a fee to defray the cost of providing emergency medical service transports. The revenues collected from such a fee must be deposited in the Fire Tax Fund and applied exclusively for the cost of enhancements to Montgomery County's emergency medical services and other related fire and rescue services.
 - (2) A Local Fire and Rescue Department must not impose a fee for emergency medical service transports.
 - (3) The County Executive must issue Executive Regulations, under Method (3), to establish the fee schedule, the types of emergency medical service transports subject to the fee, permitted uses of fee revenues, waiver provisions based on the ability to pay, and other program details.

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Approved:

Steven A Silverman President County Council

Date

Approved:

Douglas M. Duncan, County Executive

Date

This is a correct copy of Council action.

Mary A. Edgar, CMC, Clerk of the Council

Date